

# MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT



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FROM: Marcia M. McBrien, Public Information Officer  
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RE: Juror Appreciation Month July 2013

DATE: May 2, 2013

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As in past years, this July will be designated “Juror Appreciation Month” by the Supreme Court. The Justices will issue a resolution to that effect in mid-May.

Our goal is to remind the public of the great value of jury service, and the jury’s role in democracy. By educating the public about the importance of jury service, we hope to encourage a better response to jury duty summonses.

The Supreme Court’s public awareness campaign will include an audio PSA from Chief Justice Young, press releases, and other media outreach. We hope you’ll participate too. This is a great opportunity to engage your community. Participating courts will be featured in the Supreme Court’s media outreach.

Among our resources:

1. Sample op-ed and letters to the editor
2. Talking points
3. Jury service “FAQs”
4. The Michigan Supreme Court resolution
5. Audio PSA from the Chief Justice/generic audio PSA
6. PDF of bookmark – can be copied as needed
7. PDF of stationery (8.5 x 11) – can be copied as needed

Please let Barb Browne, Court Relations Program Coordinator, know if you plan to participate and would like any of these materials. She can be reached at [browneb@courts.mi.gov](mailto:browneb@courts.mi.gov) or (517) 373-0714.